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THE FEDERAL FOCUS.

AMENDING THE REVENUE LAWS.

The Needs of Education in the South—The Con-
dition of Crops and Live Stock—Sherman's
Appointment of Bradley's Son—The
Taking of the Tenth Census, Etc.

New York, February 7.—The Potter committee, resumed session this morning. Manton Marble was examined. His answers were given with marked precision, and his manner was thoroughly self-possessed. He said he went to Florida to look after the electoral votes, could not say he went there under instructions of the democratic committee; did not go at the request of Tilden or any one; called on the governor, the evening he left and simply bade him goodbye; we had no conversation, talked with Randolph, Blair and Fox on the subject of his journey. I think I got a cipher from Mr. Pelegton at the Everett house, and sent it subsequently; no telegrams and received none from governor Tilden; addressed his telegram to Fulton; my object in going to Florida was to take care of the electoral vote. Let me here suggest that the cipher dispatches, as published in the Tribune, so far as I am concerned, are simply "rubbish." My dispute with Senator Gordon says: "Tell Gordon, therefore, it is the truth" and being made at the time proves this. I have already made statements of what I did and did not do. One of my statements was published January a year ago. The other "rubbish" was published in the Tribune for months. What I did not do was to buy the Florida votes, and they were for sale. I would like to submit these letters if the committee has no objection.

Mr. Reed—Then do I understand your position to be that you were the victim of temptation? A—Well, not that exactly. You sent down the leading and very best men of your party? A—We sent down as prominent and reputable men as any in the party. A—It is a source of sorrow to you to see them all succumbing to temptation? A—I scarcely understand you.

Q—Of course, I mean to the temptation of the stock boards, not to any original sin on their part.

Pelegton and all present smiled at this question, which was unanswered.

Q—Did you reconstruct them with your party? A—No, sir.

Q—Why not? Was the expense too heavy? A—I suppose so. [Laughter.]

Mr. Stenger—There was anything in Tilden's letter that led him to believe that he would have loaned you the money needed for the purposes mentioned? A—No, sir; I felt convinced Mr. Tilden would not advance the money and would have nothing to do with the matter.

A TASTE OF THE NIGGERS.

Showing that New York is Not Much
Better than Louisiana.

Special dispatch to the Constitution.

PORT CHESTER, N. Y., February 8.—Henry Hart, Wesley Hart, Alex. Tunks and others whose names are unknown, all negroes, were drinking and fighting among themselves in a saloon on lower Main street yesterday, creating such a disturbance that warrant was issued for their arrest. Before the officers reached the saloon the negroes had gone across the street to Hart's home. The officer seeing them were too many for him to arrest singly, returned for assistance. They then, upon seeing the officer depart for reinforcements, armed themselves and threatened to shoot the first person who crossed the street. The officer, getting up on a door in the street, the officer called upon citizens for assistance. The darkness retarded the work of the officers and citizens in pursuit. The negroes were then driven and surrendered. They were then scattered in various directions, whereupon the officers fired, shooting Henry Hart through the right arm, but escaped with a slight wound. The police banks were shot at, but the arm, but escaped to the woods as did the other three.

THE DOCK STRIKERS.

Liverpool Laborers on a High
Horse.

Special Dispatch to the Constitution.

IVERNESS, February 8.—At one of the dock strike yesterday the strikers forcibly compelled the laborers to quit work.

A strike of sailors yesterday caused a temporary suspension of work at Waterloo and Princes docks. A number of the laborers sent to Liverpool from Wolverhampton were compelled to return by threats of miltary.

The chairman—Did Tilden have any idea of what you were going to do? He said, "I am not going to do anything for the returning board." A—He had not the least idea of what was going on.

Q—Did you tell him or advise him of the responsible of the returning board? Woddyard.

Q—Did you tell him anything about the Woddyard correspondence? A—I did not. The correspondence and arrangements were carried on by me.

Mr. Stenger—Do you mean to say that you had no conversation with the returning board? A—No, sir; that is the fact.

Q—Did Tilden was informed, was he not? A—He was. He told me distinctly that he wanted no such work, and would not be the one to leave you an opportunity to do the same. In fact, he was my uncle. I would like to submit these letters if the committee has no objection.

Mr. Pelegton—Then they are ruled out.

The witness testified at some length and admitted the authenticity of some dispatches. The witness again declared that he had no conversation with Tilden about laying out the returning board either before he left to Florida or after he returned, and never spoke of the propositions or negotiations to him. Tilden, he had no knowledge of any movement on the part of the democracy to lay out the returning board, and though Tilden Florida he talked with Chandler, he knew nothing of a proposition that the Republicans should sell out.

At the point the following note was received:

Mr. BUNN, Chairman Congressional Committee of Friends with Tilden, to the Constitution.

Mr. Pelegton February 8, 1879.—To Hon. J. B. Bunn, Chairman Congressional Committee of Friends with Tilden, to the Constitution.

Q—Did you tell him anything about the inquiry with which you are charged? Yours very respectfully,

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The kingdom of Zulu is estimated at 10,000 square miles, with a population of 300,000. Cetywago, the king, is a warrior who has made soldiers of all his adult male population. They are said to be armed with breech-loading muskets, and to have some small artillery. He is certainly the most powerful native monarch south of the equator. The trouble between him and the English governor of Cape Colony, Sir Bartle Frere, arose over certain territory on the Pongola river. This territory was finally conceded to the Zulus, but in its stead Sir Bartle Frere made demands that the Zulu king would not listen to. Both sides have appealed to the sword, and the success of the three advancing British columns is by no means assured at the outset.

THE Reno investigation that is progressing at Chicago promises to be an investigation, not simply of Major Reno's conduct at the battle of the Little Big Horn, but of the whole battle. It has already been proved that the bodies of four officers were never found, and that these men may be held as captives to day, three years after the battle occurred. It has also been proven that Reno held Custer's firing, that he was excited, that his whole command were on the verge of a stampede. It is not likely that a case of cowardice will be made against Reno. It will be conceded, perhaps, that Reno by making a stubborn fight might have prevented the fatal result, but the fact that the Indians outnumbered the whites four to one will doubtless suffice to clear the unhappy major who escaped from the Indians, to face public opinion and a court-martial among the whites.

NEPHEW PELTON's testimony agrees with that of Smith M. Weed with respect to the attitude of Mr. Tilden when he discovered that the underwriters who had been sent to Florida were clamoring for money to purchase the republican members of the Florida returning board. Months ago, when the ciphers first appeared, THE CONSTITUTION pointed out that the dispatches told only one story—that they were capable of only one interpretation, for the translation that appeared in the Tribune excused Mr. Tilden and the democratic party from any suspicion of bribery. There is no doubt that at least one of the members of the Florida returning board was for, and it is well known that if the democrats or Mr. Tilden had been desirous of engaging in that sort of business, the money in any amount would have been forthcoming. We are very sorry for the silly young men of the New York Tribune.

WHAT Georgia PAYS for MILES.

We alluded briefly a few days ago to the extent of the annual demand for miles in Georgia, but the matter is important enough to deserve more careful consideration. Indeed, it is a matter which from an economic stand-point is of vital importance to our farmers; for if the estimates which we propose to give are correct—and they are based on figures that may be said to be official—the people of Georgia pay more for miles than it costs to run the entire state government, and pay the interest on its debt.

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The Ciphers in the House.

OUR weekly summary, "Georgia in Congress," is necessarily a condensation. It does not purport to be more than that; it could not be more than that without covering more space than we could spare to the subject. All unessential details are therefore omitted, and the marrow of a subject reached by the shortest possible route.

The Rome Courier calls our attention to a case that illustrates this. It occurred in last week's summary, and is as follows:

"The resolution to authorize an investigation of the cipher dispatches was carried by a vote of 124 to 120. Messrs. Bell, Blount, Calhoun, Cook, Harris and Smith voted 'ay'; Messrs. Felton and Stephens did not vote and were not present."

This is a full statement of the situation, presenting briefly and at a glance the exact status of the house on the question.

The democratic majority decided to close the debate, which had been prolonged to at least the extent that is customary in the house, and the main question had been decided. The radicals desired to keep up the debate indefinitely. It would still be going on doubtless if their wishes had been consulted. For this purpose, Mr. Garfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the main question was decided. Mr. Atkins checked this move of the radicals by moving to lay on the table. On

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THE DAILY CONSTITUTION: ATLANTA, GA., SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 8, 1879.

COTTON AND WEATHER.

COTTON, middling uplands, closed in Liverpool yesterday at 55¢; in New York at 9 9/16¢; in Atlanta at 8 1/2¢.

The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in Georgia, northerly to easterly winds, partly cloudy weather, and near the coast light rains, stationary or a slight rise in barometer, and a slight rise in temperature.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

OBERVER'S OFFICE, SIGNAL CORPS, U. S. A.
KIMBALL HOUSE, February 7, 1879 p. m.
(All observations taken at the same moment of actual time.)

NAME OF STATION.	Baumgardt	Thompson	Per.	WIND.	WEATHER.
Atlanta	39° 22' 43" 75	N. Fresh	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
Augusta	39° 46' 50" 75	N. E. Fresh	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
Savannah	39° 46' 50" 75	W. Calm	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
Key West	29° 17' 50" 80	W. Calm	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
Gainesville	29° 28' 50" 80	N. E. Light	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
Indianola	29° 42' 45" 80	N. E. Light	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
Corinthia	29° 42' 45" 80	N. E. Light	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
New Orleans	30° 22' 50" 80	N. E. Light	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
Mobile	30° 22' 50" 80	N. E. Light	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.
Montgomery	30° 22' 50" 80	N. E. Light	00	Cloudy.	90 per cent.

100 per cent. being complete saturation.

NOTE.—FOUR OF WIND: Light, 1 to 2 miles per hour; moderate, 2 to 4 miles; strong, 4 to 6 miles; gale, 6 to 8 miles; violent, 8 to 10 miles; destructive, 10 to 12 miles; hurricane, 12 to 20 miles.

WEATHER REPORT.

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Time	Baumgardt	Thompson	Per.	WIND.	WEATHER.
7 a. m.	30° 11' 18" 75	W. Fresh	00	Cloudy.	
11:30	30° 11' 18" 75	N. W. Fresh	00	Cloudy.	
2 p. m.	30° 11' 45" 75	N. S. Fresh	00	Cloudy.	
6 p. m.	30° 11' 45" 75	N. S. Fresh	00	Cloudy.	
9 p. m.	30° 22' 15" 75	N. Fresh	00	Cloudy.	
10:30	30° 22' 15" 75	N. Fresh	00	Cloudy.	

Mean daily temp. 30° 18' 30" 75 Minimum temp. 29° 55' 30" 75 Total rainfall. 00

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Corporal Signal Corps, U. S. A.

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AMUSEMENTS.

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Open House—February 5th, "Maud Muller" and "The Ticket of Leave Man," Miss Genevieve Rogers and Mr. Frank Aiken.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

[See Second Page.]

For admission—L. B. Griggs
Keenaw Room—6, W. W. Wren

The Constitution

ATLANTA, GA., FEBRUARY 8, 1879.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Hon. Newt Tumbin is in the city.
Mr. R. M. Powers, of Rome, Ga., is in the city.

Colonel N. J. Tumlin, from Polk, is in the city.

Colonel W. L. Vaughn, of Lawrenceville, is in the city yesterday.

Rev. John Bachman, of Chattanooga, who is now in the city, visited Mr. Sam Hill, at the jail yesterday.

Many friends of Colonel Marechus Thornton, of the 12th Cavalry, expect him to be here a long time.

Miss Genevieve Rogers and Mr. Frank Aiken, of the Genevieve Rogers theatrical troupe, are guests of the Kimball house.

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The late James Anderson, of the Covington Star, was in the city yesterday looking as fresh as a new-brown lily.

Colonel P. D. Daniel and Captain C. M. King, two prominent citizens of Greeneboro, are visiting Atlanta. They will return home Monday.

Mr. John Hanover, formerly the efficient train dispatcher of the Atlanta and Charlotte Air-Line railway, but now of Charlotte, is in the city.

We are glad to see again upon the duty, at the intersection of Peachtree and the efficient policeman, Mr. Parker, who has been removed to his room for some weeks past from injuries which he received in an accident.

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